

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA
POSTAL REGULATORY COMMISSION
WASHINGTON, DC 20268-0001

Before Commissioners:

Ruth Y. Goldway, Chairman;
Mark Acton, Vice Chairman; and
Robert G. Taub

Removal of Return Receipt for
Merchandise Service from the Mail
Classification Schedule

Docket No. MC2015-8

ORDER EXTENDING DEADLINE FOR COMMENTS

(Issued December 4, 2014)

On November 17, 2014, the Postal Service filed a request to remove Return Receipt for Merchandise service from the Mail Classification Schedule.¹ On November 19, 2014, the Commission established December 3, 2014 as the deadline for submitting comments in this docket.²

The Public Representative seeks an extension of time for filing comments because she believes the Request may implicate complex issues and that additional analysis is necessary.³ The Public Representative requests that the new deadline for filing comments be set for December 9, 2014. *Id.*

¹ Request of the United State Postal Service to Remove Return Receipt for Merchandise Service from the Mail Classification Schedule, November 17, 2014 (Request).

² Order No. 2254, Notice and Order Concerning Removal of Return Receipt for Merchandise Service from the Mail Classification Schedule, November 19, 2014.

³ Public Representative Motion for Extension of Comment Deadline, December 2, 2014, at 1 (Motion).

The Postal Service filed a partial objection to the Motion.⁴ The Postal Service argues that the Motion is tardy, provides an insufficient explanation of the basis for the extension, and may jeopardize an expeditious Commission decision. Response at 1. The Postal Service states that it supports a new deadline for filing comments as December 5, 2014. *Id.* at 2.

The Commission agrees with the Public Representative that this proceeding may implicate complex issues and that additional information is necessary for the Commission to make an informed decision. To that end, Chairman's Information Request No. 1 has recently been issued.⁵

To provide appropriate due process, the Motion is granted and the deadline for filing comments is extended to two business days after the date on which the Postal Service submits a complete response to CHIR No. 1.⁶

It is ordered:

1. The Public Representative's Motion for Extension of Comment Deadline is granted consistent with the body of this Order.
2. The deadline to file comments shall be two business days after the date on which the Postal Service submits a complete response to CHIR No. 1.

By the Commission.

Shoshana M. Grove
Secretary

⁴ Response of the United States Postal Service in Partial Opposition to the Public Representative's Motion for the Extension of Comment Deadline, December 2, 2014 (Response).

⁵ Chairman's Information Request No. 1, December 3, 2014 (CHIR No. 1).

⁶ The Commission has no reason to find that the extension of the comment period discussed here will prejudice any party or impact a timely Commission decision.